

Assumption Catholic Church

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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 13, 2022



May You Find Christ Here...May You Bring Christ to the World!

Mass Schedule:

Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday, 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, 12 noon

Friday, 9:00 a.m.

Confessions:

Saturdays, 3:00-3:45 p.m.

Weekdays, 30 mins. prior to Mass

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Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday

9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline:

Wednesday, 12 noon

Sunday Reflection: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

When we encounter misfortune, grief or tragic loss, how do we respond? With fear or faith? With passive resignation or with patient hope and trust in God? We know from experience that no one can escape all of the inevitable trials of life - pain, suffering, sickness and death. Jesus began his sermon on the mount by addressing the issue of where true happiness can be found. The word beatitude literally means happiness or blessedness. Jesus' way of happiness, however, demands a transformation from within - a conversion of heart and mind which can only come about through the gift and working of the Holy Spirit.

How can one possibly find happiness in poverty, hunger, mourning, and persecution? If we want to be filled with the joy and happiness of heaven, then we must empty ourselves of all that would shut God out of our hearts. Poverty of spirit finds ample room and joy in possessing God alone as the greatest treasure possible. Hunger of the spirit seeks nourishment and strength in God's word and Spirit. Sorrow and mourning over wasted life and sin leads to joyful freedom from the burden of guilt and oppression. God reveals to the humble of heart the true source of abundant life and happiness. Thomas Aquinas said: "No person can live without joy. That is why someone deprived of spiritual joy goes after carnal pleasures." Let us pray today: Lord Jesus, increase my hunger for you and show me the way that leads to everlasting happiness and peace. May I desire you above all else and find perfect joy in doing your will.

No person can live without joy.

- Thomas Aquinas

Readings for next Sunday,

February 20, 2022

1 Samuel 26:2-23

1 Corinthians 15:45-49

Luke 6:27-38



Saint of the Week ... St Valentine of Rome

Saint Valentine of Rome is a third-century Roman saint widely celebrated on February 14 and commonly associated with "courtly love." Although not much of St. Valentine's life is reliably known, it is highly agreed that St. Valentine was martyred and then buried north of Rome.

One common story about St. Valentine is that in one point of his life he was on house arrest with Judge Asterius. While discussing religion and faith with the Judge, Valentine pledged the validity of Jesus. The judge immediately put Valentine and his faith to the test. He was presented with the judge's blind daughter and told to restore her sight. Placing his hands onto her eyes, Valentine restored the child's vision.

St. Valentine continued refusing to renounce his faith and was executed on February 14, somewhere between the years 269 and 280. He is the patron saint of love, happy marriages, beekeepers, fainting, travelers, and young people. He is often shown with birds and roses.

Source: catholic.org



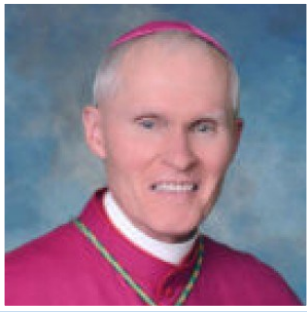
Feast Day: February 14

*Happy
Valentine's
Day*



Parish Prayer List

Please pray for: Patricia Ansel, Jennifer Boling, Kista Crites, Bobby Dorsey, Barbara Gratto, Beth Grayson, Sue Greco, Barbara Grubbs*, Larry Hinkle*, Helen Holder*, Kathy Jenkins, Sueann Keller-Schwille, Wanda Kinnie, Pam Launi, Craig Leibig, Debbie Pappas, Caroline Reeves, Carla Roth, Esther Shockey, Fran Sommers, Sue Ann Spotts, Bill Stine, Scott Tasker and Maleigha Taylor.



Welcome Bishop Brennan!

His Excellency the Most Rev. Mark Brennan will celebrate our 8:30 Sunday Mass this weekend before visiting Our Lady of Grace parish in Romney. Thank you, Bishop Brennan, for worshipping with us again, and for your leadership of the faithful across our great state!



Note of Gratitude from Catholic Charities West Virginia

As you know, each year the offertory collections from all Christmas Masses across the state benefits Catholic Charities West

Virginia. Established in 1931, the organization is committed to serving children, assisting the elderly, providing food and operating 21 outreach offices which help local residents with utility assistance, parenting classes, and much more.

This week we received a note of gratitude from Beth Zarate, President & CEO of CCWVa. It reads in part, "Thank you for joining us on our journey as we continue our mission to provide caring and compassionate services to people in need and work toward lasting and meaningful change."

In addition to the Christmas collection, CCWVa is also one of the organizations that we support through our poor box contributions. To learn more about their efforts, visit catholiccharitieswv.org.

ASSUMPTION PARISH 2021 SUPPORT OF CCWVa

Poor Box Contributions.....	\$3,881
Christmas Collections.....	\$1,205
Total	\$5,086

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Date	Time	Intention	Offered by
Saturday, February 12	4:00 p.m.	Living & Deceased Members of the Chiccehitto and DiUbaldo Families.....	Mitch & Carol Durst
Sunday, February 13	8:30 a.m.	Intentions of Bishop Mark Brennan.....	Assumption Parish
Monday, February 14	No Mass		
Tuesday, February 15	No Mass		
Wednesday, February 16	5:00 p.m.	Soul of Tom Sauer..... Soul of Brian Dorsey.....	K of C Council 10545 Tammy Dorsey-Dale
Thursday, February 17	12 noon	Soul of James DeMasi..... Intentions of Joanne Stickley	Mary Shannon Mike & Rosie Landis
Friday, February 18	9:00 a.m.	Soul of Joseph W. Willis..... Deceased Members of the John Ross Family	Mary Alexander Carole Rhodes
Saturday, February 19	4:00 p.m.	Soul of Herman Wise	Jean Harber
		Souls of Maureene, Elizabeth & James Lupis	Bill Lupis
Sunday, February 20	8:30 a.m.	Soul of Regina Kelley	The Kelley Family
		Soul of Marianna Daskal	James Daskal

Pulled Pork Pick Up Reminder

Everyone who ordered pulled pork for Superbowl weekend is reminded to pick up your order at St. Mary's Hall following both Masses. Payment can be made in cash (exact bills if possible!) or check made payable to Assumption Ladies Guild.

If you did not place an order, extras are available. Just stop by the hall!

Collections & Attendance

February 5-6, 2022

Offertory

Offertory Envelopes.....	\$3,395
Loose Donations.....	\$815
Repairs & Maintenance	\$507
Total.....	\$4,717

Attendance

Saturday 2/5.....	75
Sunday 2/6.....	84
Total.....	159

Diocesan Collection

A Diocesan collection is taking place this weekend for Church Missions in the United States. A separate basket is available.

January Balance Sheet

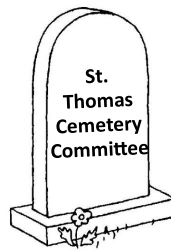
Income.....	\$27,148
Expenses	\$20,043
Balance	\$7,105

UPCOMING EVENTS

Women's Retreat

A Women's Retreat, co-sponsored with our Diocese's Office of Evangelization & Catechesis, will be held February 25-27, 2022, at St. John XXIII Pastoral Center in Charleston. The weekend will consist of presentations, quiet reflection, small group break-out sessions, media resources, and communal prayer. For more information contact Gerri Wright at 304-552-3662 or gerwright1@aol.com.

Cemetery Flowers



If you have Christmas flowers at St. Thomas Cemetery that you would like to keep, please remove them by March 1. Thank you!

Liturgical Minister Schedule

Saturday, February 19

Lector: Kenny Brant
Servers: Tucker Newlin & Jude Barrick
EM: Kathy Finnell
Cantor: Anita Tetreault
Greeters: Dena Turner & Mary Shannon

Sunday, February 20

Lector: Mike Landis
Servers: Rudy & Pippa Dolechek
EM: David Minnich
Cantors: Julie Alt
Greeters: Mike Landis & Jeff Kuhn

Saturday, February 26

Lector: Karen Yowler
Servers: James & Tess Maybury
EM: Sue Harber
Cantor: Linda Marsh
Greeters: Sue & Jean Harber

Sunday, February 27

Lector: Alan Taylor
Servers: Abby & Libby DelSignore
EM: Kelley Kuhn
Cantor: Julie Alt
Greeters: Denny Dolechek & Marvin Whetzel

A Prayer for St. Valentine's Day

*God bless you on this special day,
God keep you in His care,
And may His blessing and His love
Go with you everywhere.*